

Congratulations on the newest member of your family!

We are Team Wendorf, family of 6, and we are writing our story in hopes that your baby will hear every “I love you” you have to give them.

Our first born (our only girl) was delivered at a birth center by our lovely midwife and her team. Healthy and happy, she developed language at a very rapid rate which is typical first born girl. Fourteen months later our son Kai was born. He decided to make his entrance into the world 6 weeks early and had to be delivered at a hospital. His birth was not an ideal situation and we were anxious to get home. Before leaving the hospital he failed the new born hearing screen. Since his talkative and interactive sister never had a hearing screen we were not concerned. We assumed it was most likely due to fluid in his ear canals.

Four months later the hospital called to follow up on his inconclusive screening results and we reluctantly went back in for a retest. At that time we learned that our son had a moderate hearing loss in both ears, i.e. he was partly deaf. We were floored since we had no family history of hearing loss. We did not expect his hearing loss nor were we aware that 3 in 1,000 newborns are born with permanent hearing loss.

In retrospect we consider ourselves blessed that Kai was born at the UW hospital instead of our midwife’s birthing center. We are also blessed that the hospital pursued a follow up on Kai’s newborn hearing screen. Our birth center did not conduct newborn hearing screens and our midwife did not have the equipment. If our son had been born outside the hospital his hearing would have gone unscreened. He most likely would have remained undiagnosed until 2 ½ which is the average age of a child identified after birth without the hearing screen or follow up.

This statistic regarding late diagnosis of hearing loss for infants is humbling because the first 2 years of life are the most critical for language and speech development. Our son’s communication skills would have been compromised and his ability to communicate would currently be below his peers. **Fortunately since 2006 a newborn hearing screen has been available in all birthing hospitals in the state of Washington.** It is a simple non invasive test which the newborn sleeps through (If you wait until your child is older they have to be sedated for the test). It is over within a matter of minutes.

We now have 4 children. Our son Kai is the only one with hearing loss. We truly know firsthand how crazy life can be with a newborn. We know you may feel tired, overwhelmed and sure your child is not one of the 3 in 1,000 born with hearing loss. We were too. It is our hope that by sharing our story you will not be tempted to delay your newborn screen. Today Kai looks and acts like every other normal hearing boy his age. He plays soccer, makes his sister laugh, and loves teaching his brothers how to wrestle. We love every aspect of his identity including his hearing loss.

Families choosing a midwifery birth do so because of the caring, supportive atmosphere. Ensuring your baby has access to a newborn hearing screen shortly after birth is part of this care. Please ask your midwife how and where newborn hearing screens are available in your area so you will never have to wonder if your “I love you” went unheard.

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Washington Hands & Voices Guide By Your Side program

Providing unbiased, emotional support and resources by
trained Parent Guides to families with children with hearing loss.



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Attn: Guide By Your Side program

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- I want to be matched with a Parent Guide
 - I want more information about Guide By Your Side and resources.
- Please contact me: today in 2 weeks in 1 month

Parent Name(s) _____

Child's name _____ D.O.B. _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone# Cell _____ Home _____ Email _____

Best time to contact me _____

I authorize WA State/County ESIT staff, Children with Special Health Care Needs staff, Family Resource Coordinator, Audiologist, Speech Language pathologist, or my primary care provider to release my name, address, phone number, and e-mail to Washington Hands & Voices Guide By Your Side program so that I may receive information regarding Guide By Your Side program including resource information and parent support provided to families of children diagnosed with or suspect a hearing loss.

Signature _____

Relationship to child _____

Date _____ Verbal Consent _____

Provider notes _____

Left ear _____ Right ear _____ Addt. info _____

Referred by _____

Confirmation of referral requested?
___Yes ___No

Name	Phone	Fax
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Infant Hearing Screening Test Sites in Washington State

Facility	City	Age Limit	Phone #	Fax #
Island Hospital: Birth Center	Anacortes	6 months	360.229.1390	360.428.8214
Cascade Valley Hospital: OB Department	Arlington	8 weeks	360.618.7754	360.618.7654
Auburn Regional Medical Center: Family Birth Center	Auburn	6 months	253.545.2895	253.403.8416
Gumnut Blossom Midwifery	Bainbridge	6 months	206.954.2622	206.922.5597
Overlake Hospital Medical Center: Women's Clinic	Bellevue	6 months	425.688.5389	425.688.5454
Seattle Children's Bellevue Clinic and Surgery Center: Audiology	Bellevue	6 months	206.987.5173 option 1	206.884.9370
Gentle Hands Midwifery	Bellingham	6 months	360.752.2229	360.752.2228
St. Joseph Hospital	Bellingham	5 months	360.788.6909	360.738.6376
Harrison Memorial Hospital	Bremerton	6 months	360.337.8904	360.337.8907
*Three Rivers Hospital: East Wing	Brewster	4 months	509.689.2517	509.689.8102
Highline Community Hospital: Family Childbirth Center	Burien	6 months	206.439.5581	206.241.8210
*Lake Chelan Community Hospital: Acute Care	Chelan	2 months	509.682.3300 ext 6125	509.682.3475
Whitman Hospital & Medical Center: OB Department	Colfax	4 months	509.397.3435 ext 327	509.397.5779
Mount Carmel Hospital	Colville	4 months	509.685.5100	509.685.2099
*Whidbey General Hospital: Family Birthplace	Coupeville	3 months	360.678.7656 ext 2118	360.678.7614
Swedish Edmonds: Birth Center	Edmonds	6 months	425.640.4077	425.640.4427
*Kittitas Valley Community Hospital: Family Birth Center	Ellensburg	6 months	509.962.7328	509.933.8622
*St. Elizabeth Hospital: Women and Infant Services	Enumclaw	1 month	360.802.8530	360.802.8538
Cascade Midwives and Birth Center	Everett	6 months	425.317.0157	425.317.0756
Providence Regional Medical Center Everett: Post Partum Clinic	Everett	6 months	425.304.6052	425.304.6045
St. Francis Hospital	Federal Way	6 months	253.403.2092	253.403.1686
*Forks Community Hospital: Acute Care	Forks	No age limit	360.374.6271 ext 158	360.374.6238
Coulee Medical Center: Pediatric Clinic	Grand Coulee	No age limit	503.633.1911	509.633.3644
Swedish Medical Center - Issaquah	Issaquah	6 months	425.313.4323	425.313.4254
*Trios Health: Family Birthing Center	Kennewick	5 months	509.586.5805	509.586.5103
*Evergreen Health Medical Center	Kirkland	6 months	425.899.3556	425.899.3583
Valley General Hospital	Monroe	6 months	360.794.1447 ext 2168	360.863.4671
Samaritan Hospital: OB Department	Moses Lake	3 months	509.793.9750	509.764.3215
Skagit Valley Hospital: Family Birth Center	Mount Vernon	6 months	360.428.2283	360.428.8214
Newport Hospital and Health Services	Newport	3 months	509.447.6398	509.447.6284
Toddler Learning Center (serves all of Whidbey Island)	Oak Harbor	36 months	360.679.1039	360.679.6646
Around the Circle Midwifery	Olympia	6 months	360.459.7222	360.459.7223
Capital Medical Center: Labor & Delivery	Olympia	2 months	360.754.2229	360.956.1547
Providence St. Peter Hospital	Olympia	6 months	360.493.7015	360.493.7854
Mid Valley Hospital: OB Department	Omak	3 months	509.826.7667	509.861.2524
*Othello Community Hospital: OB Department	Othello	2 months	509.488.2636	509.331.2624
Olympic Medical Center	Port Angeles	3 months	360.417.7400	360.471.7761
Jefferson Health Care: Family Birth Center	Port Townsend	4 weeks	360.385.2200 ext 3600	360.385.1573
Children's Hospital at Legacy Emanuel: Audiology	Portland	No age limit	503.413.4327	503.413.3959
Prosser Memorial Hospital: Cardiopulmonary Department	Prosser	No age limit	509.786.6633	509.786.6670
*Pullman Regional Hospital: Birth Place	Pullman	1 month	509.336.7401	509.336.7402

Good Samaritan Hospital: Mother/Baby Unit	Puyallup	6 months	425.228.3440 ext 3890	425.656.4226
Valley Medical Center: Mother/Baby Unit	Renton	6 months	425.228.3440 ext 3890	425.656.4226
Columbia Basin Pediatrics	Richland	3 months	509.946.7332	509.946.1995
*Kadlec Medical Center: Family Birth Center	Richland	3 months	509.942.2689	509.942.2808
Ground Floor Health	Seattle	6 months	206.624.6627	206.525.5933
*Group Health Cooperative	Seattle	No age limit	206.326.3035	206.326.2298
Roots Naturopathic Medicine	Seattle	6 months	206.972.2271	888.866.5708
Journey Midwife Services	Seattle	6 months	206.659.5645	206.641.7186
Northwest Hospital	Seattle	3 months	206.718.5925	206.368.1596
Seattle Children's Hospital: Audiology	Seattle	6 months	206.987.5173 option 1	206.987.3599
Seattle Naturopathy, Acupuncture, and Birth Center	Seattle	6 months	206.328.7929	206.328.6066
Swedish Medical Center - Ballard	Seattle	6 months	206.386.3387	206.215.6123
Swedish Medical Center - First Hill	Seattle	6 months	206.386.3387	206.215.6123
University of Washington Medical Center: Center for Human Development and Disability	Seattle	No age limit	206.598.9347	206.598.7815
Virginia Mason – Listen for Life Center	Seattle	No age limit	206.223.8802	206.223.2388
Everett Clinic – Smokey Point	Smokey Point	No age limit	360.454.1941	360.454.1973
Deaconess Medical Center	Spokane	6 months	509.473.3468	509.473.3430
Providence Holy Family Hospital	Spokane	6 months	509.474.4293	509.474.2753
Providence Sacred Heart Medical Center	Spokane	6 months	509.474.4293	509.474.2753
Spokane Midwives	Spokane	6 weeks	509.326.4366	509.328.9266
Valley Hospital & Medical Center: Mother-Baby Center	Spokane	6 months	509.473.3468	509.473.3430
Sunnyside Community Hospital: Family Birth Center	Sunnyside	3 months	509.837.1536	509.837.1503
Mary Bridge Children's Hospital: Audiology	Tacoma	6 months	253.403.2096	253.627.5004
St. Joseph Medical Center	Tacoma	6 months	253.403.2092	253.403.1686
Tacoma General Hospital	Tacoma	6 months	253.403.2096	253.403.8416
North Valley Hospital: Out-Patient Department	Tonasket	6 months	509.486.2151	509.486.3102
*Toppenish Community Hospital: Family Maternity Center	Toppenish	10 days	509.865.1506	509.865.1593
Legacy Salmon Creek Hospital: Family Birth Center	Vancouver	1 month	360.487.4000	360.487.4009
St. Mary Medical Center: Women's Services	Walla Walla	1 month	509.522.5858	509.522.5746
Walla Walla General Hospital: OB Department	Walla Walla	2 months	509.525.0480 ext 1070	509.527.8179
Central Washington Hospital: Family Physicians Clinic	Wenatchee	3 months	509.665.6087	509.655.6161
Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital: Birth Place	Yakima	6 months	509.575.8107	509.577.5061
EHDDI Program Washington State Department of Health 1610 NE 150th Street, PO Box 55279 Shoreline, WA 98155 Phone: 206-418-5613 Toll Free: 1-888-WAEHDDI (1-888-923-4334) Fax: 206-418-5415 Email: ehddi2@doh.wa.gov www.doh.wa.gov/EarlyHearingLoss				

*Screening available for former in-patients only

**Please note that this list does not include all infant hearing screening sites in Washington.

Audiology Clinics for Infants

If your child has NOT passed more than one hearing screen, it is highly recommended that he or she receive a complete diagnostic test at a Level 1 Clinic.

- [S] Clinics that can provide sedation or general anesthesia (contact clinic for details)
- [HA] Clinics that can provide hearing aid services for age 0–6 months
- [F] Clinics that offer options for financial assistance

LEVEL 1 CLINICS: Complete Diagnostic Testing Available

Western Washington

Ballard Speech & Hearing [S/F]
Seattle, WA 98107
Phone: 206-789-7029
Fax: 206-789-5485

Center for Hearing & Skull
Base Surgery-Swedish Neuro-
science Institute [S/HA/F]
Seattle, WA 98122
Phone: 206-320-8242
Fax: 206-320-1960

Evergreen Speech & Hearing
Clinic, Inc. [HA]
Bellevue, WA 98004
Phone: 425-454-1883
Fax: 425-454-2036
Kirkland, WA 98034
Phone: 425-899-5050
Fax: 425-899-5054
Redmond, WA 98052
Phone: 425-882-4347
Fax: 425-883-0043

The Hear Center–
Group Health
Bellevue, WA 98004
Phone: 425-502-3490
Fax: 425-502-3491
Seattle, WA 98112
Phone: 206-326-3350
Fax: 206-326-2298
(Group Health members only)

Hearing & Balance Lab [F]
Mill Creek, WA 98012
Phone: 425-225-2626
Fax: 425-225-2634

Listen for Life Center-Virginia
Mason
Federal Way, WA 98003 [HA/F]
Phone: 253-874-1750
Fax: 253-874-1752
Seattle, WA 98101 [S/HA/F]
Phone: 206-223-8802
Fax: 206-223-2388

Madigan Army Medical
Center Audiology [S]
Tacoma, WA 98431
Phone: 253-968-0927
Fax: 253-968-5927
(Tricare beneficiaries only)

Mary Bridge Speech & Hear-
ing Services–Mary Bridge
Children's Hospital [S/HA/F]
Tacoma, WA 98403
Phone: 253-792-6640
Fax: 253-627-5004

The Polyclinic [HA]
Seattle, WA 98104
Phone: 206-860-4642
Fax: 206-357-5041

Seattle Children's Hospital
Audiology [S/HA/F]
Bellevue, WA 98004
Phone: 206-987-5173
Fax: 206-884-9370
Seattle, WA 98105
Phone: 206-987-5173
Fax: 206-987-3599

Seattle Hearing & Balance [F]
Seattle, WA 98122
Phone: 206-320-5687
Fax: 206-320-8145

Swedish Otolaryngology-
Audiology [S/F]
Issaquah, WA 98029
Phone: 425-313-7089
Fax: 425-313-7184
Seattle, WA 98122
Phone: 206-215-1770
Fax: 206-215-1771

UW Pediatric Audiology Clinic
Center for Human
Development & Disability
(CHDD) [HA]
Seattle, WA 98105
Phone: 206-598-9347
Fax: 206-598-7815

The Vancouver Clinic–
Columbia Tech Center [HA]
Vancouver, WA 98684
Phone: 360-882-2778
Fax: 360-604-1784

Western Washington
University Speech & Hear-
ing Clinic [F]
Bellingham, WA 98225
Phone: 360-650-3881
Fax: 360-650-2843

Eastern Washington

Confluence Health-Omak
Clinic [F]
Omak, WA 98841
Phone: 509-826-1800
Fax: 509-826-7913

Confluence Health-Wenatchee
Valley Hospital & Clinics [F]
Wenatchee, WA 98801
Phone: 509-663-8711
Fax: 509-664-4809

Hearing Healthcare
Associates [HA]
Kennewick, WA 99336
Phone: 509-735-7461
Fax: 509-783-8167

Kadlec Clinic Ear, Nose &
Throat
Richland, WA 99352
Phone: 509-942-3288
Fax: 509-946-1735

Spokane Audiology Inc. [HA/F]
Spokane, WA 99204
Phone: 509-835-5111
Fax: 509-835-5222

Spokane Ear, Nose & Throat
Clinic [S/HA]
Spokane, WA 99201
Phone: 509-624-2326
Fax: 509-789-5705

Walla Walla Clinic
Walla Walla, WA 99362
Phone: 509-525-3720
Fax: 509-529-9939

Yakima Valley Hearing &
Speech Center [HA]
Yakima, WA 98902
Phone: 509-453-8248
Fax: 509-248-9012

Oregon

Central Interstate Clinic [S]
Portland, OR 97227
Phone: 503-331-6052
Fax: 503-331-6051
(Kaiser Permanente
Insurance only)

Doernbecher Audiology
Clinic at OHSU [S/HA/F]
Portland, OR 97239
Phone: 503-418-2116
Fax: 503-494-5203

Legacy Audiology Service [S]
Portland, OR 97227
Phone: 503-413-4327
Fax: 503-413-3959

LEVEL 2 CLINICS: Screening or Rescreening Only

Western Washington

Bellingham Ear, Nose & Throat **[HA]**
Bellingham, WA 98225
Phone: 360-671-7530

Cascade Ear, Nose & Throat
Mt. Vernon, WA 98274
Phone: 360-336-2178

The Doctors Clinic–Salmon
Medical Center Audiology
Silverdale, WA 98383
Phone: 360-782-3897

Ear, Nose & Throat Associates
Southwest
Olympia, WA 98506
Phone: 360-357-6314

Ear, Nose & Throat
Clinic of the Northwest
Longview, WA 98632
Phone: 360-636-4469

The Everett Clinic
Everett, WA 98201
Phone: 425-339-5441
Marysville, WA 98271
Phone: 360-454-1941

Harbor Audiology & Hearing
Services, Inc.
Gig Harbor, WA 98335
Phone: 253-203-6641

The Hear Center– Group
Health
Everett, WA 98201
Phone: 425-261-1931
Olympia, WA 98506
Phone: 360-923-7420
Tacoma, WA 98409
Phone: 253-396-4250
(*Group Health members only*)

Hearing Health Services
Coupeville, WA 98239
Phone: 360-678-1423

Hearing Specialty Center
Kirkland, WA 98304
Phone: 425-821-6600

Hearing Speech & Deafness
Center
Seattle, WA 98122
Phone: 206-323-5770

Island Family Hearing Clinic
Oak Harbor, WA 98227
Phone: 360-279-1229

The Listen for Life Center–
Virginia Mason **[F]**
Issaquah, WA 98027
Phone: 425-557-8040

Minor & James Medical
Audiology
Seattle, WA 98104
Phone: 206-622-9916

Nilsson Audiology
Port Orchard, WA 98366
Phone: 360-362-1404

Professional Hearing &
Speech
Federal Way, WA 98003
Phone: 253-874-2599

South Seattle Otolaryngology
Burien, WA 98166
Phone: 206-242-3696

The Vancouver Clinic– Salm-
on Creek **[HA]**
Vancouver, WA 98686
Phone: 360-882-2778

West Coast Hearing Clinic
Aberdeen, WA 98520
Phone: 360-533-0633

Eastern Washington

Columbia Basin Hearing &
Balance Center **[HA]**
Kennewick, WA 99336
Phone: 509-736-4005

Confluence Health–Moses Lake
Clinic **[F]**
Moses Lake, WA 98837
Phone: 509-663-8711

Eye & Ear Clinic of
Wenatchee
Wenatchee, WA 98801
Phone: 509-662-7143

Hearing Connection
Yakima, WA 98902
Phone: 509-453-8600

Horan & Fevold Hearing
Clinic **[HA]**
Moses Lake, WA 98837
Phone: 509-398-8069
Wenatchee, WA 98801
Phone: 509-293-5711

Northwest Hearing Center
[HA/F]
Ellensburg, WA 98926
Phone: 509-962-9575

Rockwood Audiology Center
Spokane, WA 99204
Phone: 509-342-3350

Spokane Valley Ear, Nose,
Throat & Facial Plastics **[HA]**
Spokane, WA 99216
Phone: 509-928-7272

University Hearing & Speech
Clinic **[F]**
Spokane, WA 99202
Phone: 509-828-1323

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Website: www.doh.wa.gov/earlyhearingloss

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